

Conroe High School
Golden Girls/Goldies
Audition Information Packet
2023-2024



CONROE HIGH SCHOOL



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Dear Golden Girl/Goldie Candidate Parents,

We are pleased that your dancer is interested in auditioning for the CHS Golden Girls/Goldies Drill Team. It is an organization that is deeply rooted in tradition and excellence. It allows self-development in many areas: goal setting, high standards, morals, maturity, responsibility, dependability, and self-discipline.

As a prospective Golden Girl/Goldie parent, you must realize the commitment and dedication required for all dancers once they make the team. Membership requires commitment from the family as well. Once your dancer is a member, you will be asked to join the Booster Club. The Booster Club performs many of our fundraisers. Parent support is essential to the success of this organization. Much will be expected of both you and your dancer.

Drill team auditions can be a very stressful time for some dancers. For those who are extremely concerned about the audition results' outcome, the pressure can be tremendous. We understand this and will do everything necessary to prepare your dancer for the actual audition process, and we hope you will do the same at home.

We encourage you to take the time with your dancer to read over all the following information. Please discuss the advantages and disadvantages of auditioning. Be sure your dancer is emotionally prepared for the outcome of auditions, no matter what the results may be.

For you and your dancer to better understand the audition process, we have prepared the following information packet. **Please note important dates and forms that need to be filled out and returned ON TIME. Also, please note that auditions will be closed to observers, and there will be no video cameras allowed in the audition room.** Parents are to wait outside the building when picking up their dancers after rehearsals and auditions.

We wish you and your Golden Girl/Goldie Candidate the best of luck!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Ferrell
Golden Girl Director

Golden Girls/Goldies Audition Qualifications/Requirements

The following forms must be turned in prior to or on the designated due date listed.

1. **Audition Application Form-** ONLINE- Due by March 7, 2023 at 11:59 PM
2. **Grading Policy Form-** (in the back of this packet)- Due March 7, 2023 at the Audition Meeting
3. **CISD Physical Acknowledgment Form-** (in the back of this packet) Due March 7, 2023 at the Audition Meeting
4. **Physical-** Due by March 27, 2023 -first day of the Audition Clinic
5. **Audition Application Acknowledgment Form-** (in the back of this packet) Due March 7, 2023 at the Audition Meeting

ARTICLE II (2)

TEAM AUDITION QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

Section 1. All forms must be turned in prior to or on the designated due date.

Section 2. Prospective members shall be entering grades 9 through 12.

Section 3. A prospective member must reside with their parent/ guardian(s) within the Conroe Independent School District or show proof of future CISD residency and must also reside within the Conroe High School attendance zone at the time of auditions. If the candidate does not live within the CHS attendance zone, an approved transfer request form must be on file with CISD and the CHS Administration.

Section 4. Any student new to the district and/ or CHS attendance zone may audition only if enrolled by the day of our Golden Girl/Goldies audition meeting and must meet all requirements of eligibility. Transfer of membership from any dance team to CHS, including in-district transfers, does not grant team membership. The transfer student will learn and submit/ perform the audition routine to the Golden Girl Director(s) to be eligible for membership transfer into the Golden Girls/ Goldies Organization.

Section 5. Any returning member who has been placed on suspension during the current performance year will be required to participate in the Hopeful Clinic and formal audition in front of the judges and must meet or exceed the performance score for prospective members as determined by the judges. If a member is placed on suspension after this formal audition has been held, they will not be required to reaudition.

Section 6. A candidate and their parent(s)/ guardians(s) must attend the mandatory audition meeting. Failure to attend or make prior arrangements with the Director(s) will result in the candidate's inability to audition.

Section 7. Candidates will be expected to perform a required routine at auditions. The performance of the candidates shall be evaluated by a panel of three (3) or more certified and impartial dance team judges. The selection of members will be based on the sum of the average score of all three (3) judges during a closed audition session.

ARTICLE III (3) TEAM AUDITION CLINICS

Section 1. All candidates must attend all audition clinic days unless excused by the Director(s) or CHS Administration. If a candidate is to be absent from any audition clinic days, the Director(s) must be contacted prior to the absence(s).

Section 2. The audition clinic will be held after school for four (4) – five (5) days. Each candidate will learn one or more of the following: warm-up techniques, a specific audition routine, split routine, and kick routine during the clinic.

Section 3. All candidates should wear all black attire and dance shoes, or other specific audition attire decided by the Director(s). Leotards/ practice attire shall also conform to school dress code regulations (i.e., no bare midriff styles allowed). Hair should be secured back away from the face, worn preferably in a ponytail.

Section 4. Gum, large jewelry, canned drinks, and food are not allowed in the audition clinic. Candidates can bring a water jug and a towel.

Section 5. All candidates must attend school half-day (4 class periods) in order to be eligible to participate in the audition clinic that day. Candidates must attend half-day (4 class periods) on the day of the final audition if the audition date falls on a regular school day.

ARTICLE IV (4) TEAM AUDITIONS

Section 1. After attending the mandatory audition meeting and audition clinic, the candidate may participate in the audition.

Section 2. Auditions will be held on a date designated by the Director(s).

Section 3. Each candidate must wear the required audition outfit stated in the audition packet set by the Director(s).

Section 4. Each candidate will be known by an identification number that will be worn during the audition.

Section 5. Each candidate will perform one or more of the following: a specific audition routine, split routine, or kick routine in groups of three (3) or more.

Section 6. Auditions are closed to spectators. Those eligible for attendance include the Director(s), judges, tabulator, helper(s) designated by the Director(s) and CHS Administrator(s).

Section 7. The audition process, in accordance and in compliance with the audition guidelines established by the Texas Education Agency and UIL Side-By-Side, will consider the following:

A. Each candidate will be scored on a point scale specific to the audition with membership selected using a natural break method.

B. Example Audition Score Sheets: provided below:

Golden Girls Team Audition	
Candidate #	Judge #1
1	
Splits- 5	
<input type="checkbox"/> Left	
<input type="checkbox"/> Right	
<input type="checkbox"/> Point Toes	
<input type="checkbox"/> Straighten Legs	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sit up/On top of split	
Showmanship- 5	
<input type="checkbox"/> Smile	
<input type="checkbox"/> Projection/Lift	
Memory- 10	
<input type="checkbox"/> Watching Others	
<input type="checkbox"/> Hesitations	
<input type="checkbox"/> Memory Mistakes	
Rhythm/Coordination- 10	
<input type="checkbox"/> Timing	
<input type="checkbox"/> Weight Shifts	
<input type="checkbox"/> Arm Placement	
<input type="checkbox"/> Body Angles	
Skill Technique and Execution-10	
<input type="checkbox"/> Skill in Routine	
<input type="checkbox"/> Skill in Routine	
<input type="checkbox"/> Skill in Routine	
<input type="checkbox"/> Skill in Routine	
Kick Technique- 10	
<input type="checkbox"/> Point Toes	
<input type="checkbox"/> Foot Closures	
<input type="checkbox"/> Hunching	
<input type="checkbox"/> Bent Knees	
<input type="checkbox"/> Height	
Additional Comments:	
Total / 50	0

C. Callbacks: If necessary, the judges may, with the approval of the CHS Administrator(s) in charge of the auditions, view selected candidates again. Candidates who are part of the designated call back group(s) will be reevaluated and receive a new score for their call back performance. The new call back performance score will be the only score evaluated for membership.

D. The judge’s scores are final.

Section 8. The number of selected members will be based upon the number of candidates auditioning and their final score variations in conjunction with a natural break method of scoring. Candidates scoring before the first break will be selected for the Golden Girls Dance Team. Candidates scoring after the first break, and before the second break will be selected for the Goldies JV Drill Team.

Section 9. A candidate who is not selected for membership may elect to view their individual judge’s audition score sheets following the audition. An appointment must be made with the Director(s) and the CHS Administrator(s) in charge of the audition session. The score sheets may be viewed in and not removed from the CHS Administrator(s)/ Director(s) offices. The statute of limitations concerning viewing is 10 working days following the audition session. The candidate may not make a copy or photograph the score sheet. The candidate may hand copy their individual information from the score sheet.

Golden Girl/Goldies Expectations

The following are mandatory Golden Girl events if selected:

- Summer camp & summer team practices
- 6:30am morning practice year-round
- Football season- Thursday after school band rehearsals
- Football games
- Dance Competitions
- After school team technique practices
- Children clinics
- Choreography sessions after school
- Saturday practices
- Community parades
- Spring Show rehearsals
- Spring Show

Possible Skills in Audition Dance

- Right & Left split
- Double Turn
- Stationary/ Standing Leap
- Right Split Leap (Chasse/ step/ leap)
- Tilt
- Calypso
- Chaîne
- Weight shifts
- High kick technique
- Performance showmanship (Facials & Posture)

Candidate Mandatory Audition Meeting- Tuesday, March 7

- Both Candidate AND a Parent/Guardian must attend
- This meeting is in the Conroe HS Main Campus LGI
- The meeting will start at 6:30pm

Candidate Audition Clinic- March 27-30

- Candidates will **NOT** be shuttled over to CHS main from their Jr. Highs.
- Audition Clinic is at CHS Main Campus Gym from 4:30pm-6:00pm
- Candidates will learn audition group dance at the clinic. (Split/Jazz/ Kick routine)

What to wear at Candidate Clinic & Audition Day

- Solid black fitted top (no tank tops or crop tops)
- Solid black fitted pants (leggings or jazz pants)
- Jazz shoes (any color)
- Hair pulled back in a low pony (out of face)
- No extra jewelry

Audition Day- Friday, March 31

- Check-in will be in the CHS Main Campus Dance Room @ 5:30pm
- Each Candidate will receive an audition number
- Candidates will perform audition dance in groups of 4 or more
- Once judges have made their selections, we will dismiss all Candidates
- **Results will be posted on the Golden Girl website around 9:00pm**

Important Dates- Tentative

February 11, 2023

- 4:00pm-6:00pm- Golden Girls Drill Team Master Class @ CHS Main Campus Gym (OPTIONAL)

March 7, 2023

- 6:30pm -7:30pm Mandatory Candidate Audition Meeting @ CHS Main LGI

March 27-30, 2023

- 4:30pm-6:00pm Candidate Audition Clinic @ CHS Main Campus Gym

March 31, 2023

- 5:30pm- TBD Candidate Audition Day @ CHS Main Campus Gym
- Results will be posted on the Golden Girl website around 9:00pm

April 4, 2023

- 6:30pm- TBD Vendor Night (Order all Golden Girl items) @ CHS Main Campus Cafeteria

April 15, 2023

- 5:00pm- Bingo Fundraiser (Doors open at 5, Games start at 6) @ CHS Main Campus Cafeteria

April 11, 2023

- 4:30pm-5:30pm New Rookie Practice @ CHS Main Campus Gym
- 6:30pm- 7:30pm Golden Girl Booster Club Meeting on Zoom

April 18, 2023

- 4:30pm-5:30pm New Rookie Practice @ CHS Main Campus Gym

April 25, 2023

- 4:30pm-5:30pm New Rookie Practice @ CHS Main Campus Gym

April 27, 2023

- 4:30pm-5:30pm New Rookie Spring Show Dress Rehearsal

April 28, 2023

- 6:00pm- Golden Girls/Goldies Spring Show #1

April 29, 2023

- 6:00pm- Golden Girls/Goldies Spring Show #2

May 8, 2023

- 6:30pm- 7:30pm Golden Girl Ice Cream Social (New Team Meeting) @ CHS Main Campus LGI
- \$100 Mandatory Deposit for Golden Girl Booster Club Dues

May 9, 2022

- 6:30pm- 7:30pm Golden Girl Booster Club Meeting @ CHS Main Campus Cafeteria

July 12-14, 20223

- 8:00am- 12:00pm Golden Girls Mandatory Rookie Summer Camp

July 17-21, 2023

- 8:00am- 5:00 PM Golden Girls Mandatory Team Summer Camp

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Application Acknowledgement Form

This form is DUE at the Mandatory Meeting on March 7 (NO late application will be accepted)

I understand what would be expected of me if I audition for the Conroe High School Golden Girls/Goldies Drill Team. I understand the audition requirements, procedures, and general information. I understand the commitment, time, expense, and discipline that would be required. I understand the requirements stated in this audition packet that I must adhere to in order to be eligible to audition. I understand if one requirement listed is not met, I will not be eligible to audition for the Golden Girls/Goldies Drill Team. I understand that the Golden Girls/Goldies Team Handbook, CISD Code of Conduct, and UIL Guidelines will be adhered to at all times and implemented when necessary. I understand that the judge's decision is final. I have read all of the included information and understand what is presented and required.

Candidate's Full Name (Printed)

Candidate's Signature

Date

My student has expressed an interest in auditioning for the Conroe High School Golden Girls/Goldies. I understand the audition requirements, procedures, and general information. I understand the commitment, time, expense, and discipline necessary to maintain the Golden Girls/Goldies Drill Team's high standards. I understand that the Team Handbook, CISD Code of Conduct, and UIL Guidelines will be adhered to at all times and implemented when necessary. I understand that should any discipline situation arise, my student will not be able to audition for the Golden Girls/Goldies Drill Team. I understand that the judge's decision is final. I have read through all the information and understand what is presented and required of my student for this audition.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

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Grading Policy Form

This form is DUE at the Mandatory Meeting on March 7 (NO late application will be accepted)

Candidate's Full Name: _____ Student ID#: _____

Note: The following academic policy will be enforced the day a candidate is chosen for membership as a Conroe High School Golden Girl/Goldie:

Section 3. A student who receives, at the end of any grading period (after the first six weeks of the school year), a grade below 70 in any class (other than an identified class eligible for exemption) or a student with disabilities who fails to meet the standards in the Individual Education Plan (IEP) may not participate in extracurricular activities for three school weeks. An ineligible student may practice or rehearse, however. The student regains eligibility after the seven-calendar day waiting period has ended following a grading period or the three-school week evaluation period when the principal and teachers determine that he or she has earned a passing grade (70 or above) in all classes, other than those that are exempted. All schools must check grades for all participants at the end of the first six weeks of the school year. From that point, grades are checked at the end of the grading period whether it is six, nine, or twelve weeks in length. Students who pass remain eligible until the end of the next grading period. All activity coaches and directors are responsible for obtaining official grade reports from the individual the principal designates as the keeper of official grades before the student represents the school. This provision applies to all grading periods. It also applies to all three-school week evaluation periods for ineligible students. (TEA & UIL Side-By-Side "No Pass No Play").

Section 4. A student with an "Incomplete" grade is ineligible at the end of the seven-day grace period unless the "Incomplete" was replaced with a passing grade prior to the end of the seven-day grace period. Students with an "Incomplete" grade either within or beyond the end of the seven-day grace period may regain eligibility if the work is made up in accordance with district policy in regard to time allowed for make-up work and the conditions under which make-up work are allowed. (TEA & UIL Side-By-Side "No Pass No Play").

Section 5. After a failing grade has been recorded, the situation in which a student's grade may be changed to passing and eligibility restored is only as follows:

- A. A mechanical error occurred in averaging or recording the original grade.
- B. The teacher's grading procedure violated either local policy, state law, or Commissioner of Education rule, and the student would receive a passing grade if the correct procedure had been followed.

Section 6. Extra credit work or work (including re-test) turned in after the grading period or evaluation has ended may not be considered when determining a student's eligibility for extracurricular activities except in the case of an "Incomplete" grade discussed in Section 3 above.

Section 7. Any member who is academically ineligible will still be required to dress in appropriate practice attire during the designated practice and class period. They shall assume all responsibilities related to practice and class time practices but may not participate in any performance activities during that time period.

Section 8. The second occurrence of academic ineligibility for a 9-weeks grade, at any time during the current membership year, will result in dismissal from the organization.

I understand and agree to adhere to the grading policy listed above if selected as a Golden Girl/Goldie.

Parent/ Guardian Signature

Date

Candidate's Signature

Date

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CISD Physical Acknowledgment Form

This form is DUE at the Mandatory Meeting on March 7 (NO late application will be accepted)

In accordance with CISD policies, all Golden Girl/Goldies candidates must have a current physical on file prior to participation in the audition clinic and audition.

If you already have a 2022-2023 physical from Conroe High School, Stockton Junior High, or Peet Junior High, you are cleared for participation.

If you already have a 2022-2023 physical from any other school, you will need to provide a copy for us to put on file at Conroe High School.

If a candidate does **NOT** have a physical, they will need to get a physical before our Golden Girl/Goldies Audition Clinic, which starts on **March 27**, to participate.

I, parent/ guardian, have read the information above and understand all of its requirements.

Parent/ Guardian Signature

Date

Candidate's Full Name